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MOSAIC BIBLE FELLOWSHIP
Response Card

NAME:

E-MAIL:

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PLEASE SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ☐ I am a first-time guest.
- ☐ I am a returning guest.
- ☐ I am a regular attendee/member.

MY DECISION TODAY:

- ☐ I want to know more about the Gospel.
- ☐ I am committing my life to Christ.
- ☐ I am renewing my commitment to Christ.
- ☐ I want to join a small group.
- ☐ I would like to serve on a team.

COMMENTS/PRAYER NEEDS:

- ☐ For Prayer Team
- ☐ For Pastor

Day by Day by Grace
(August 31st)
Moses Pointing to the Lord for Battle

Hear, O Israel: Today you are on the verge of battle with your enemies; do not let your heart faint, do not be afraid, and do not tremble or be terrified because of them; for the LORD your God is He who goes with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you. (Deuteronomy 20:3-4)

Moses is another example of those who **lived by grace** in the Old Testament. He knew the necessity of relying upon the sufficiency of God, instead of upon the inadequate resources of man. One illustration of this is seen when he **pointed Israel to the Lord for battle**. When the children of Israel would enter into the Promised Land, innumerable battles would lie before them. These battles were inevitable, since godless nations had entrenched themselves in the land: *"because of the wickedness of these nations that the LORD your God drives them out from before you"* ([Deuteronomy 9:5](#)). Thus, the history of Israel documents one battle after another.

Moses announced the truth that the people of the Lord need to hear as the battle draws near. *"Today you are on the verge of battle with your enemies; do not let your heart faint, do not be afraid, and do not tremble or be terrified because of them."* So often, when the warfare appears, the foe seems invincible: *"When you go out to battle against your enemies, and see horses and chariots and people more numerous than you"* ([Deuteronomy 20:1](#)). The natural temptation is to *"faint ...be afraid...tremble or be terrified."* Another temptation is to try to match the enemy horse for horse and chariot for chariot. The Scriptures warn of the futility of turning to worldly resources. *"Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help, and rely on horses, who trust in chariots because they are many, and in horsemen because they are very strong, but who do not look to the Holy One of Israel"* ([Isaiah 31:1](#)).

Moses knew that God's people need a reminder that the Lord wants to be our hope. When we must go into the battles of life, the Lord accompanies us. *"For the LORD your God is He who goes with you."* He is with us not only to comfort us, but also to battle on our behalf: *"to fight for you against your enemies, to save you."* The Lord can fight for His people in an unlimited variety of ways. He can change the hearts of those who oppose us. He can bring their plans to naught. He can trap them in their own evil plans. He can cause our enemies to turn and devour one another. He can effectively **save** us in **any** manner that **He** chooses.

Lunch offering can be placed in the offering box in the multi-purpose room. For church members, offering can be dropped in the offering box in the EM room or sent to **NVCCC C/O Chen, P. O. Box 2758, Merrifield, VA 22116**. (Offering is mainly for our church members and regular attendees. If you are visiting us today, just fill in the response card and place it in the offering box.)



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NVCCC English Ministry August 31, 2025

SUNDAY SERVICE

Praise*
Prayer*
Scripture reading
Matthew 23:9
Message
Who Is Your True Father?
Speaker
Pastor Erik
Response Card and Offerings
Response song*
Announcements
Doxology*
Benediction/Closing prayer
Pastor Erik
(* Stand if you are able, please.)

UPCOMING

Save the date!
Fall picnic - September 27th 11AM @Burke Lake
Fall retreat - October 17th - 19th

Thank you for being with us today. For sermon notes every week, go to Listen, and Message Note on our website.

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JOIN US THIS WEEK

Sunday 10AM - Worship service
After Sunday worship service, we have a time of fellowship with refreshments. You are welcome to join!
Friday 8PM - Small group (In-person and online)
The online link for small group meetings will be found in our weekly email announcement. Any questions? Send an email to: nvcccem@gmail.com

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE

Matthew 23:9 (NASB -Key Scripture)

And do not call *anyone on earth your father; for only One is your Father, He who is in heaven.*

Ephesians 4:6

One God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Mark 14:36

Abba, Father,” he said, “everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.”

Romans 8:15

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “*Abba, Father.*”

Isaiah 64:8

Yet you, LORD, are our Father.
We are the clay, you are the potter;
we are all the work of your hand.

Isaiah 63:16

But you are our Father,
though Abraham does not know us
or Israel acknowledge us;
you, LORD, are our Father,
our Redeemer from of old is your name.

God’s love for you is forever and ever in Christ!

WHO IS YOUR TRUE FATHER?

James 1:17

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

Psalms 103:13

As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

Discussion Questions

I AM INTERESTED IN TAKING A CLASS FOR MY SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

- () Membership 101
- () Maturity 201
- () Ministry 301
- () Mission/Evangelism 401

OTHER CLASSES

- () Foundations for basic Christian doctrines
- () Fresh Start for starting my faith in Christ
- () How to do daily Quiet Time with God

NEED TO TALK TO A PASTOR?

- () I would like to talk with a pastor to understand the biblical view on a subject.
- () I would like to know what it means to be a member of MBF (NVCCC)

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? LET US KNOW, PLEASE.

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